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Preliminary Amendment

REMARKS

Any fees that may be due in connection with the filing of this paper or with this application may be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1050. If a Petition for Extension of time is needed, this paper is to be considered such Petition.

Claims 1-52 are pending. Claims 45-52 are added herein. Claims 1, 4-10, 13-15, 17-25, 27, 29, 30, 32, 34, 35, 37, 39, 40, 42 and 44 are amended herein. Claims 1, 4-10, 13-15, 18-25, 27, 29, 30, 32, 34, 35, 37, 39, 40, 42 and 44 are amended to correct minor grammatical and formatting errors in order to more distinctly claim the subject matter. Claims 1, 18 and 19 are further amended to remove the limitation on the gel-like layer. Basis for the amendment is found throughout the specification (e.g., see page 23, line 7 through page 24, line 6).

Claim 17 is further amended to remove multiple dependency. Claim 20 is also amended to more distinctly claim the subject matter by restating the claimed elements. Claim 21, 24, 29, 34, 39 and 44 are amended to replace the article "The" with the recitation "A" and to restate the wording of the claims to conform to US practice. Claim 22 is amended to more distinctly claim the subject matter by replacing the recitation "expiry" with the term "expiration." Claims 27, 37 and 42 are amended to more clearly state the claimed subject matter. Claims 30, 35 and 40 are amended to correct minor grammatical errors by replacing the recitation "one or some of" with the recitation "one or more."

Basis for new claims 45-47 is found throughout the specification (for example, see page 7, lines 3-8 and original claims 1, 18 and 19, respectively). Basis for new claims 48-51 is found throughout the specification as filed (e.g., see original claims 27, 32, 37 and 42, respectively). Basis for new claim 52 is found throughout the specification (for example, see original claim 17 as filed). No new matter is added.

Entry of this amendment and examination of the application are respectfully

requested.

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Respectfully submitted

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